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Examiner : Jason L. Savage  
Art Unit : 1794  
Docket No. : 52433/842  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : T. ISHIKAWA et al.  
Appln. No. : 10/576,224  
Filed : April 13, 2006  
For : LARGE-HEAT-INPUT BUTT WELDED JOINTS HAVING EXCELLENT  
BRITTLE FRACTURE RESISTANCE

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment/Response in the above-identified patent application.

☐ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

				SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. OR FEE	RATE	ADDIT. FEE	
TOTAL 8	MINUS 20	= 0	x6=	\$	x 52=	\$	0.00
INDEP. 4	MINUS 10	= 0	x18=	\$	x220=	\$	0.00
[X] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE				x60=	\$	x390=	\$ 390.00
DEP. CLAIM	TOTAL			ADDIT. FEE	\$	OR	\$ 390.00

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required to Deposit Account 11-0600. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

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**AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Reconsideration of the above-identified patent application, as amended, is respectfully requested. The present amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed October 1, 2008.